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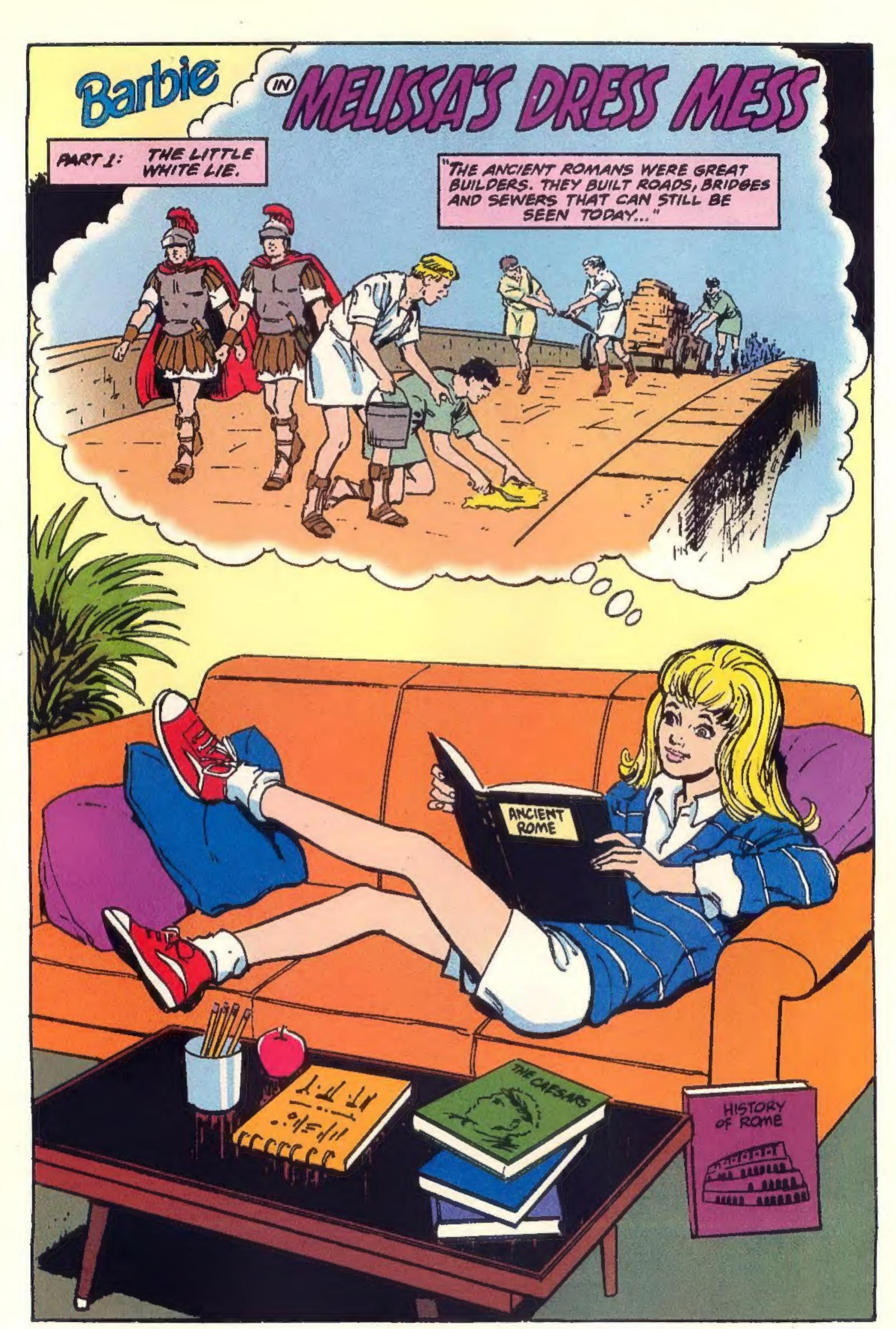
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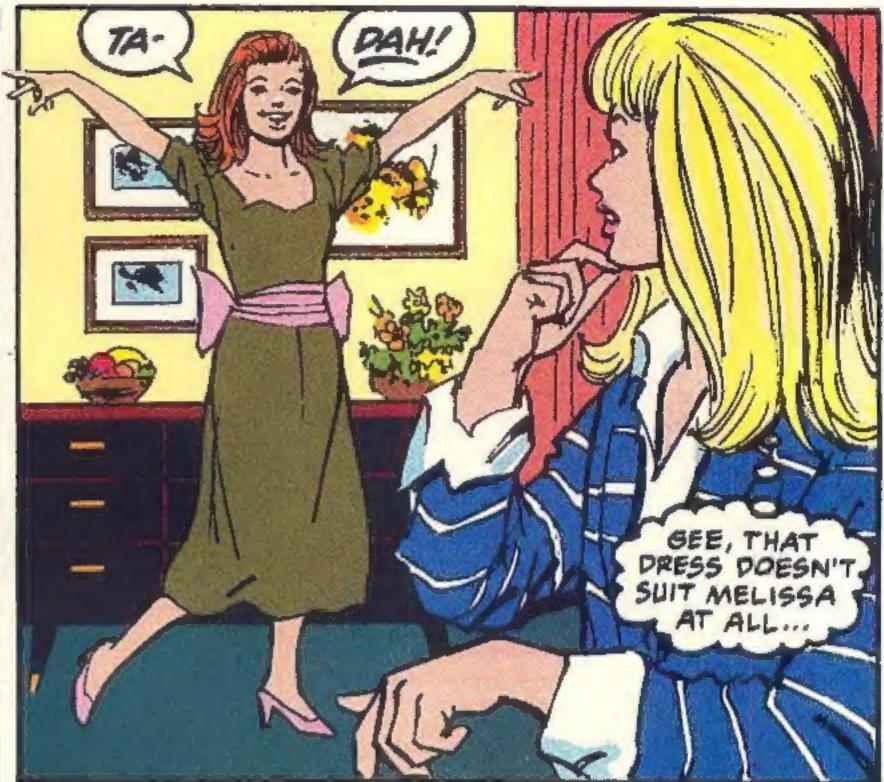






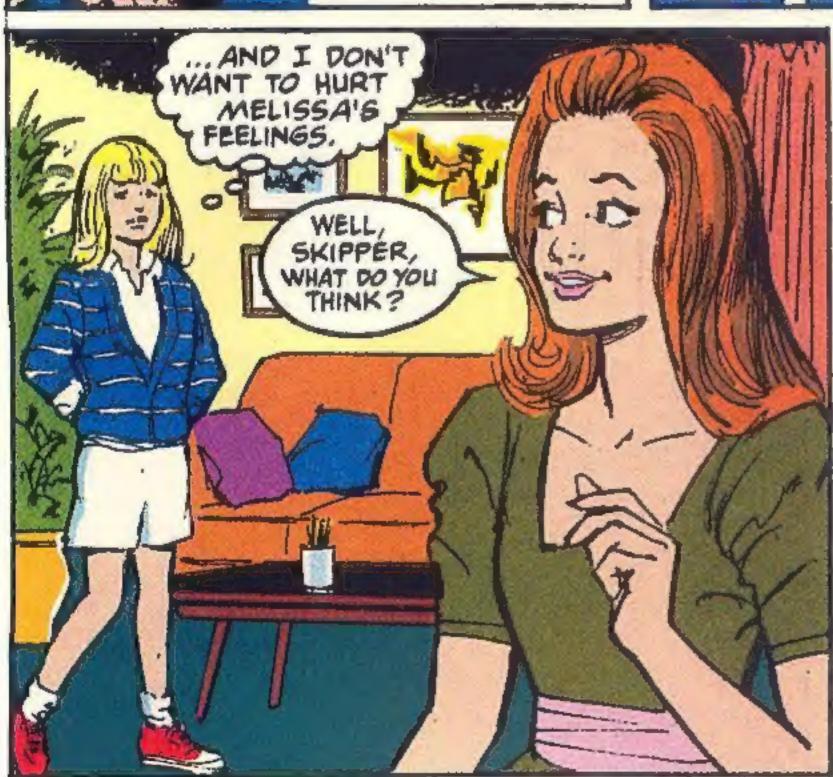










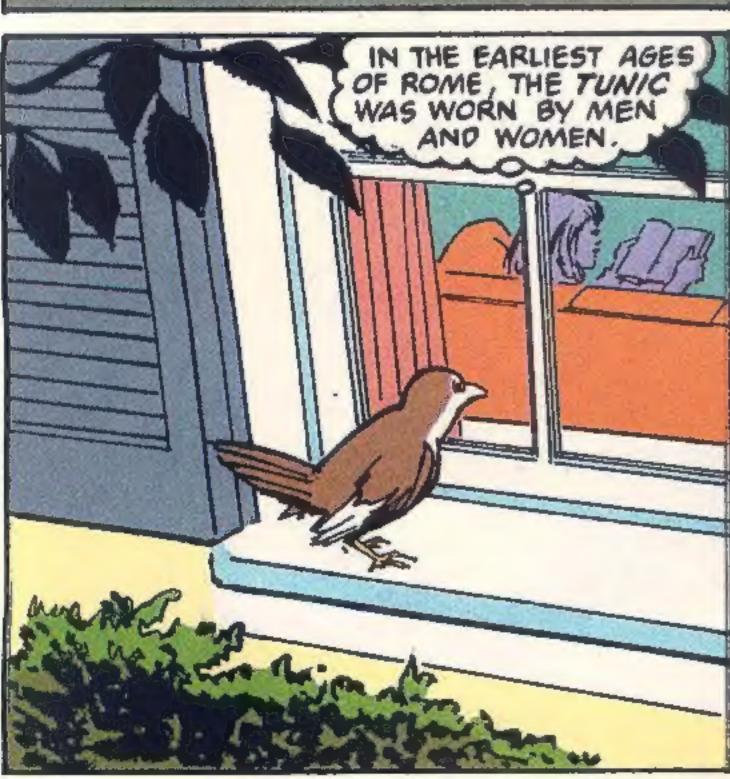




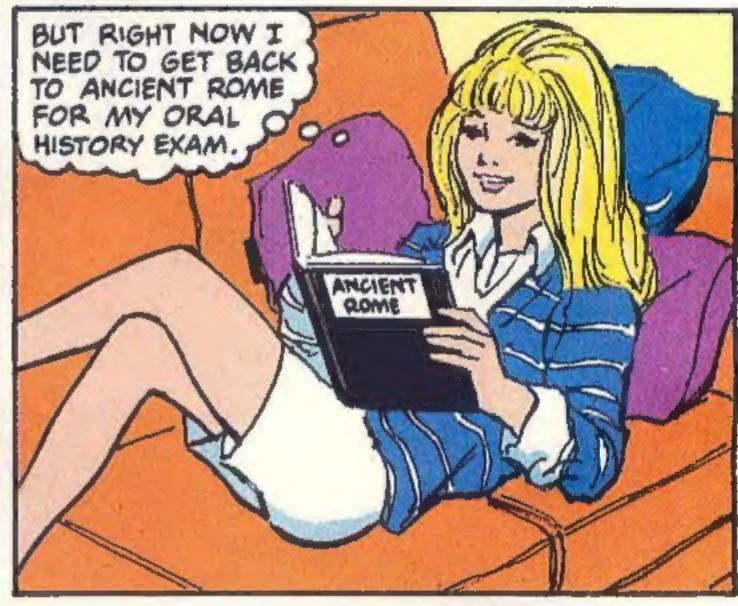






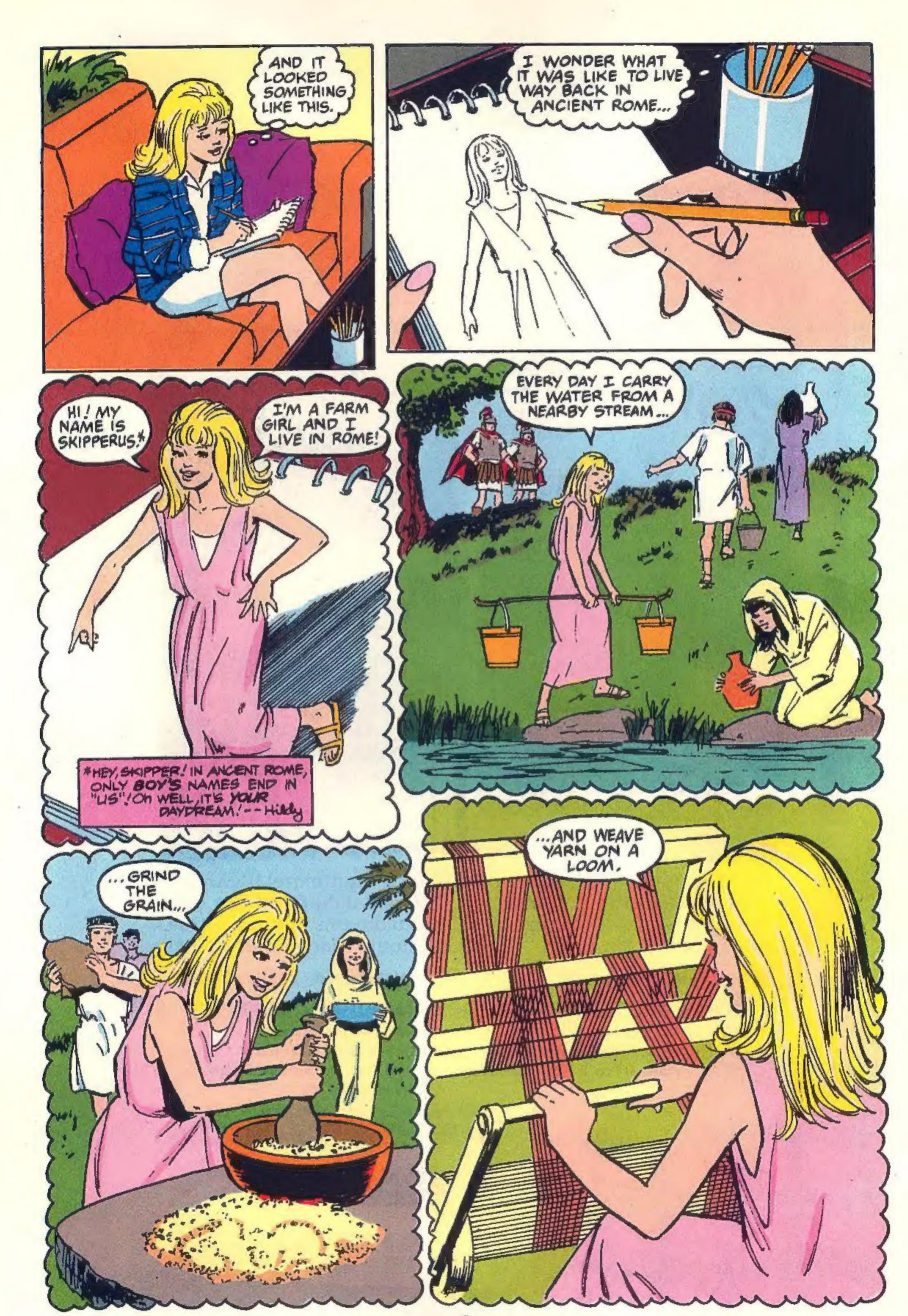








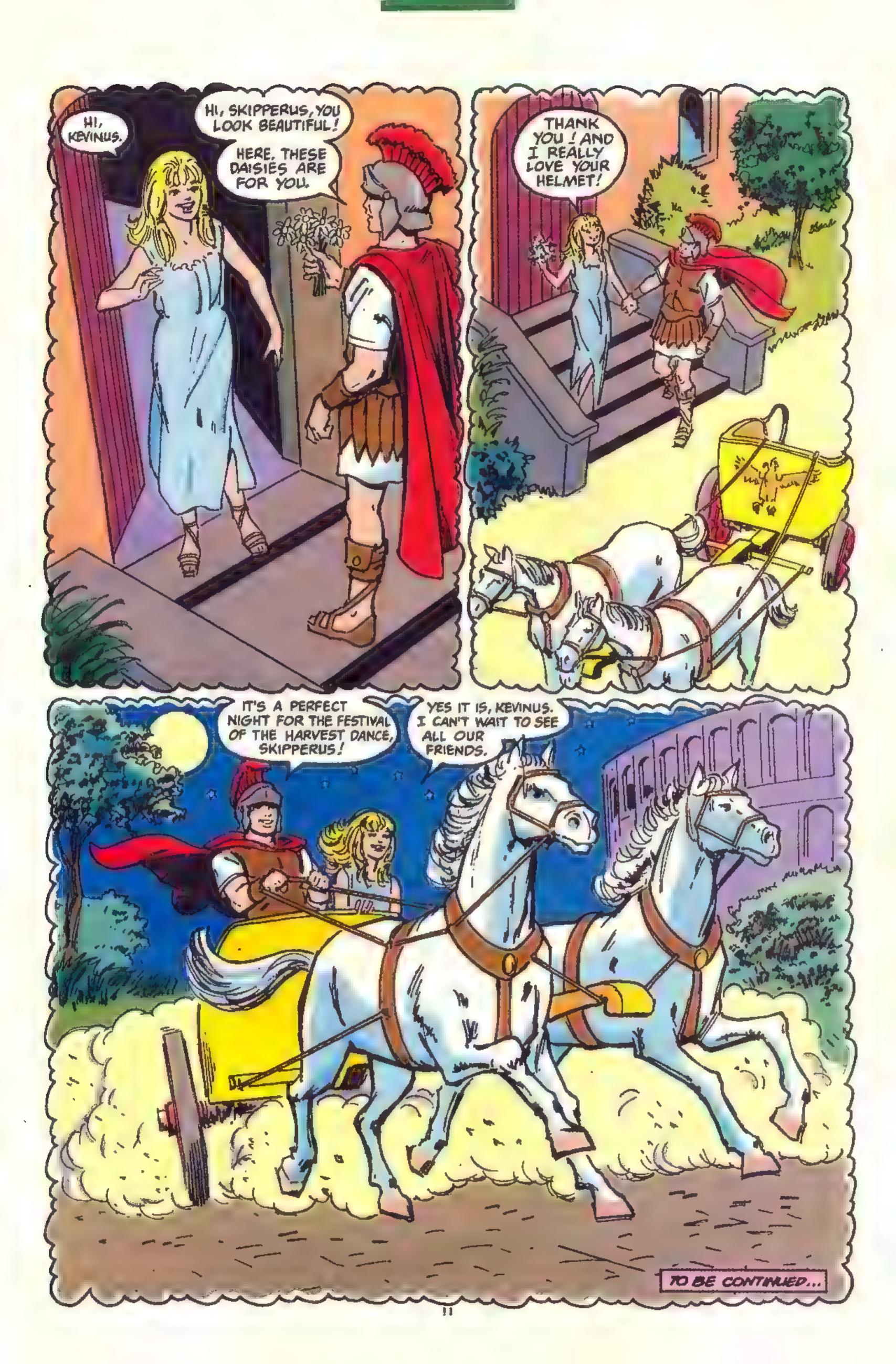










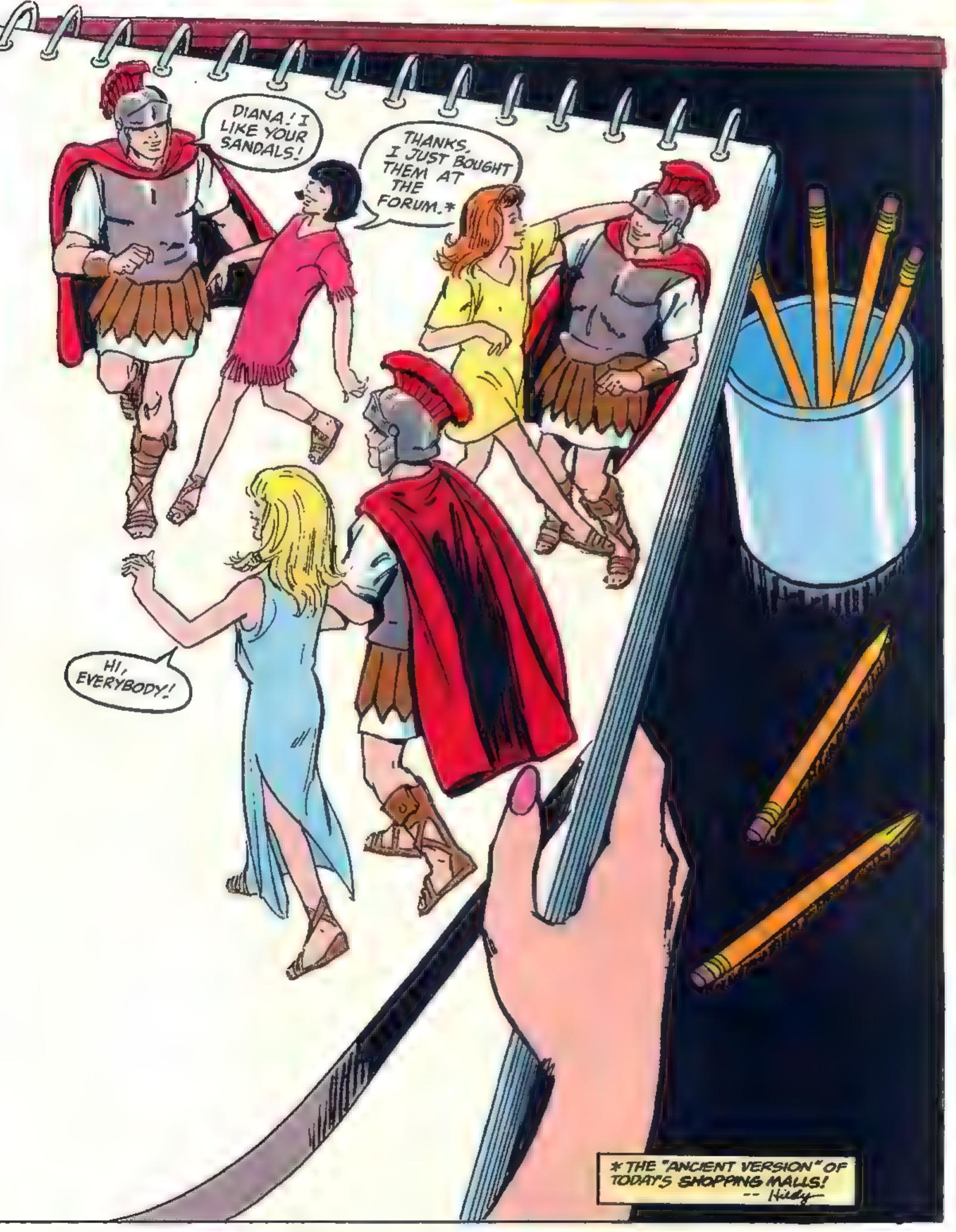


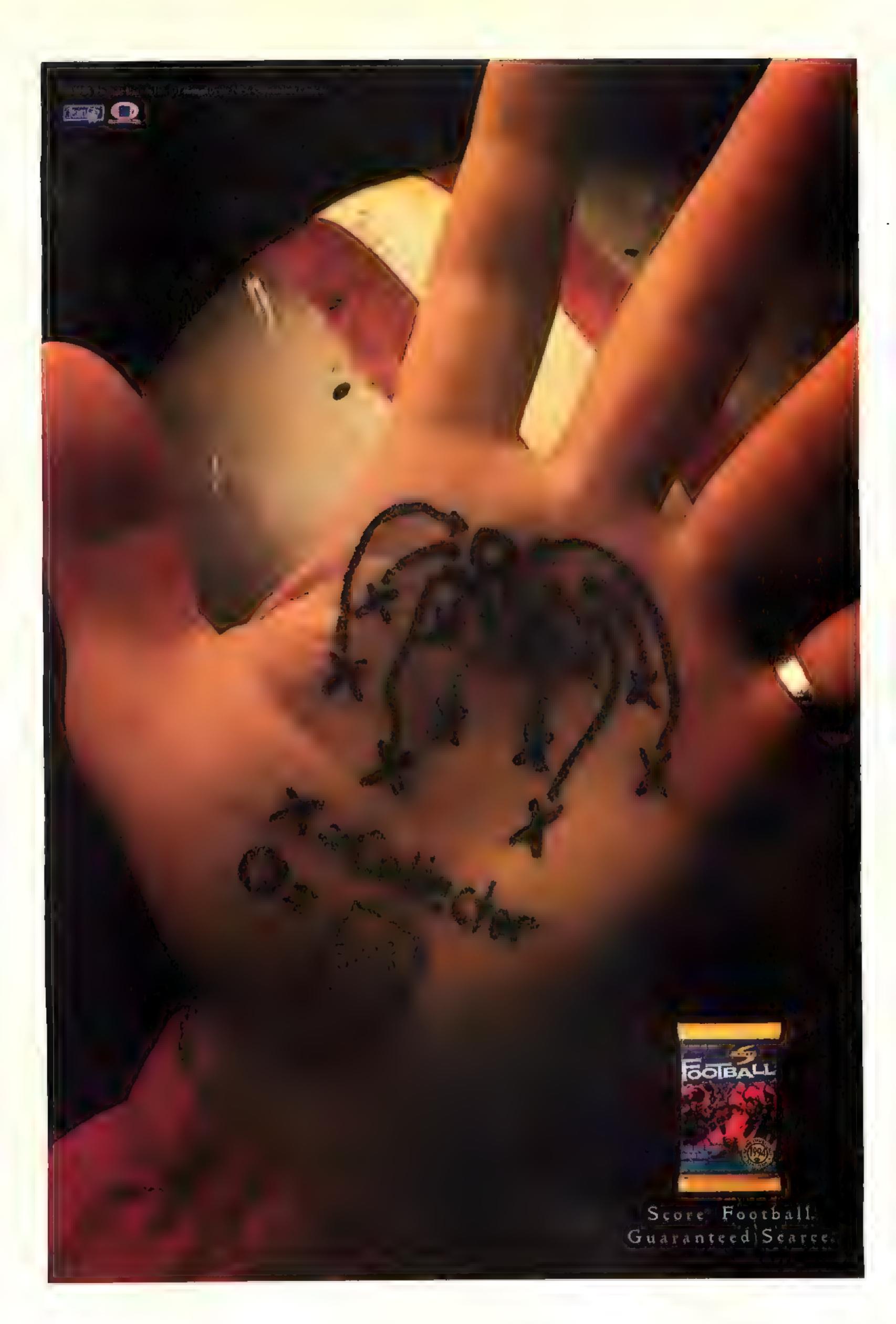


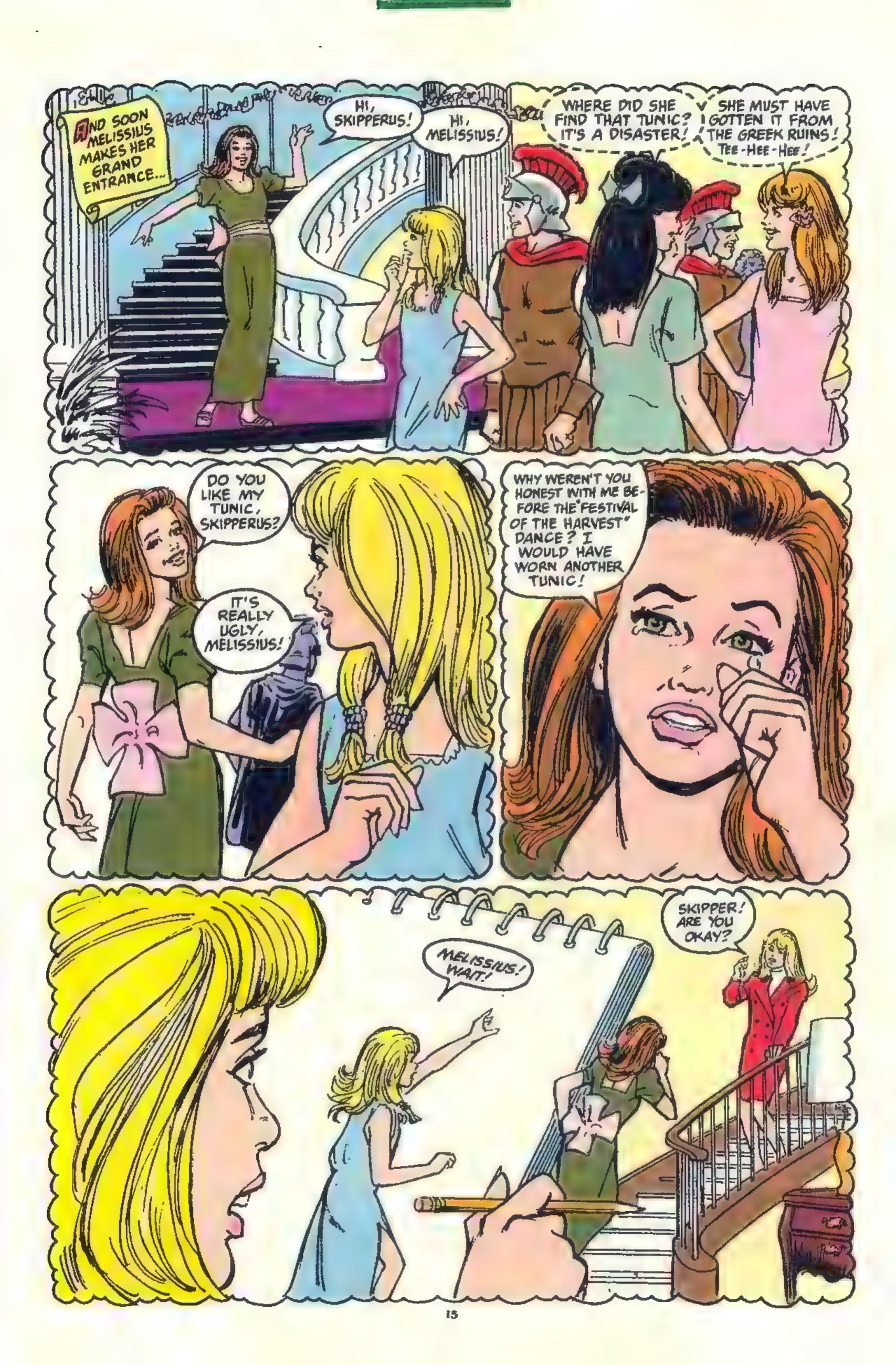
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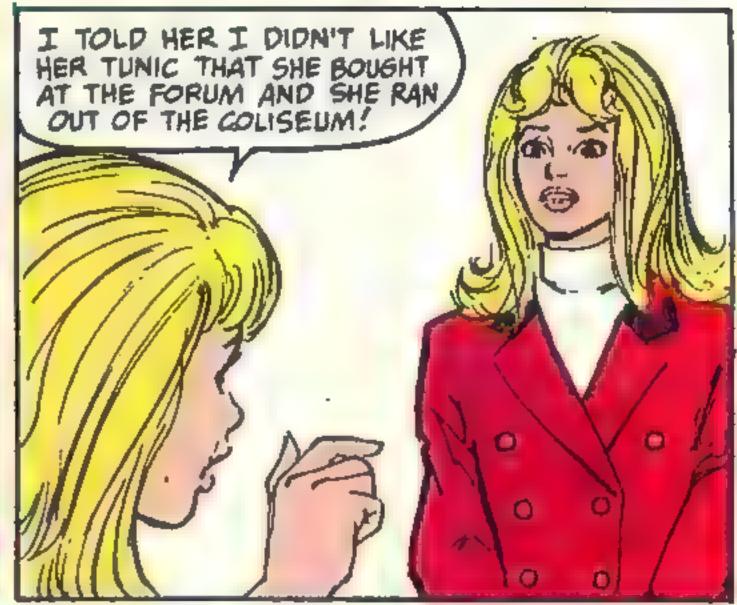
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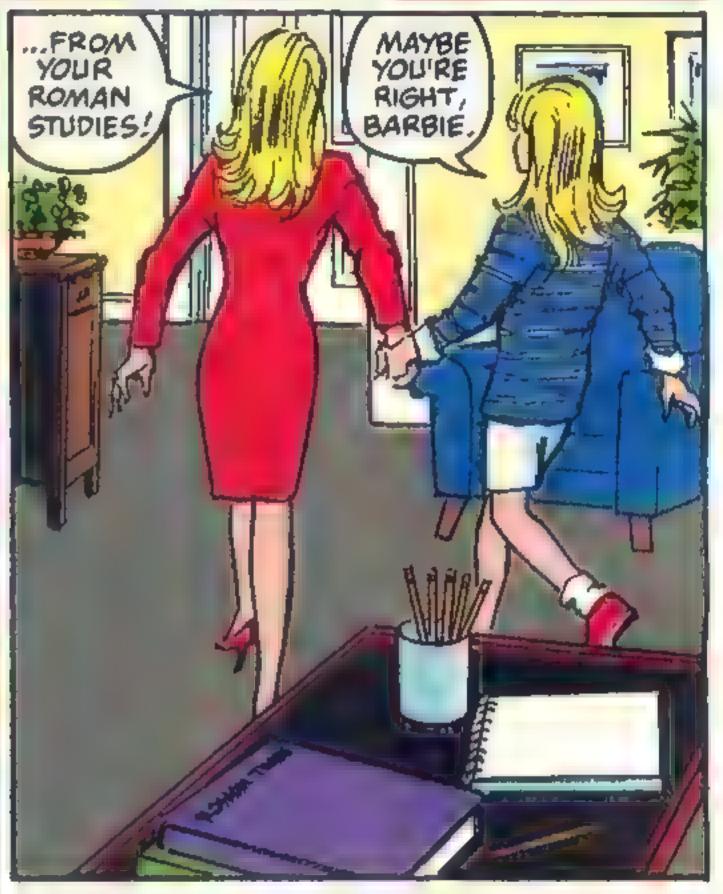








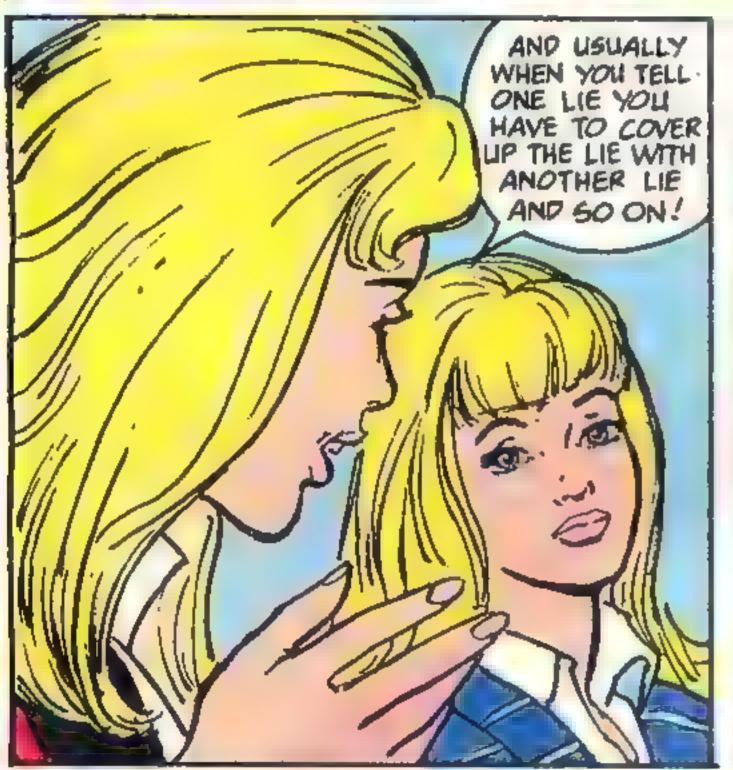






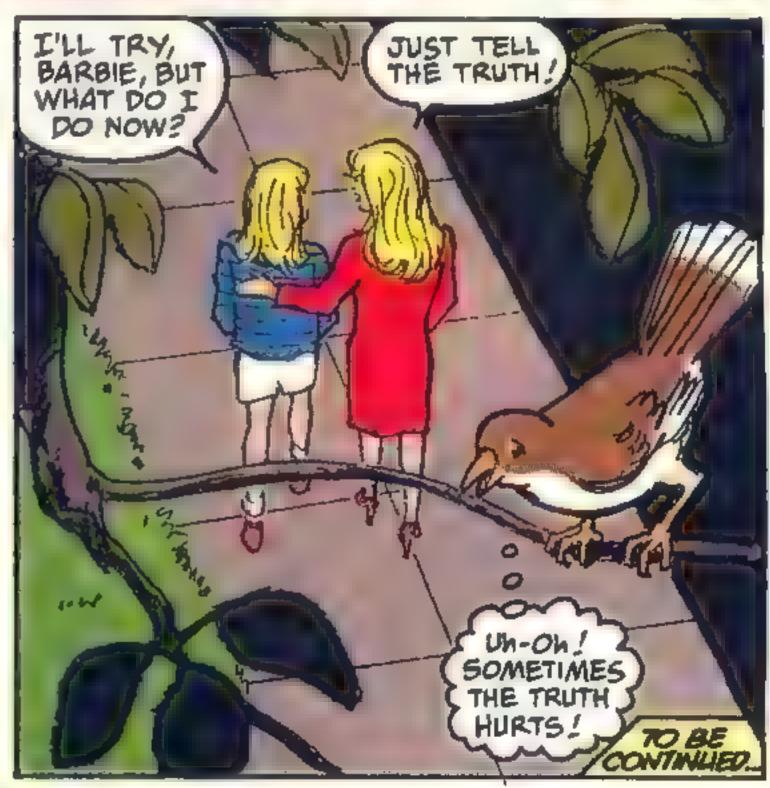




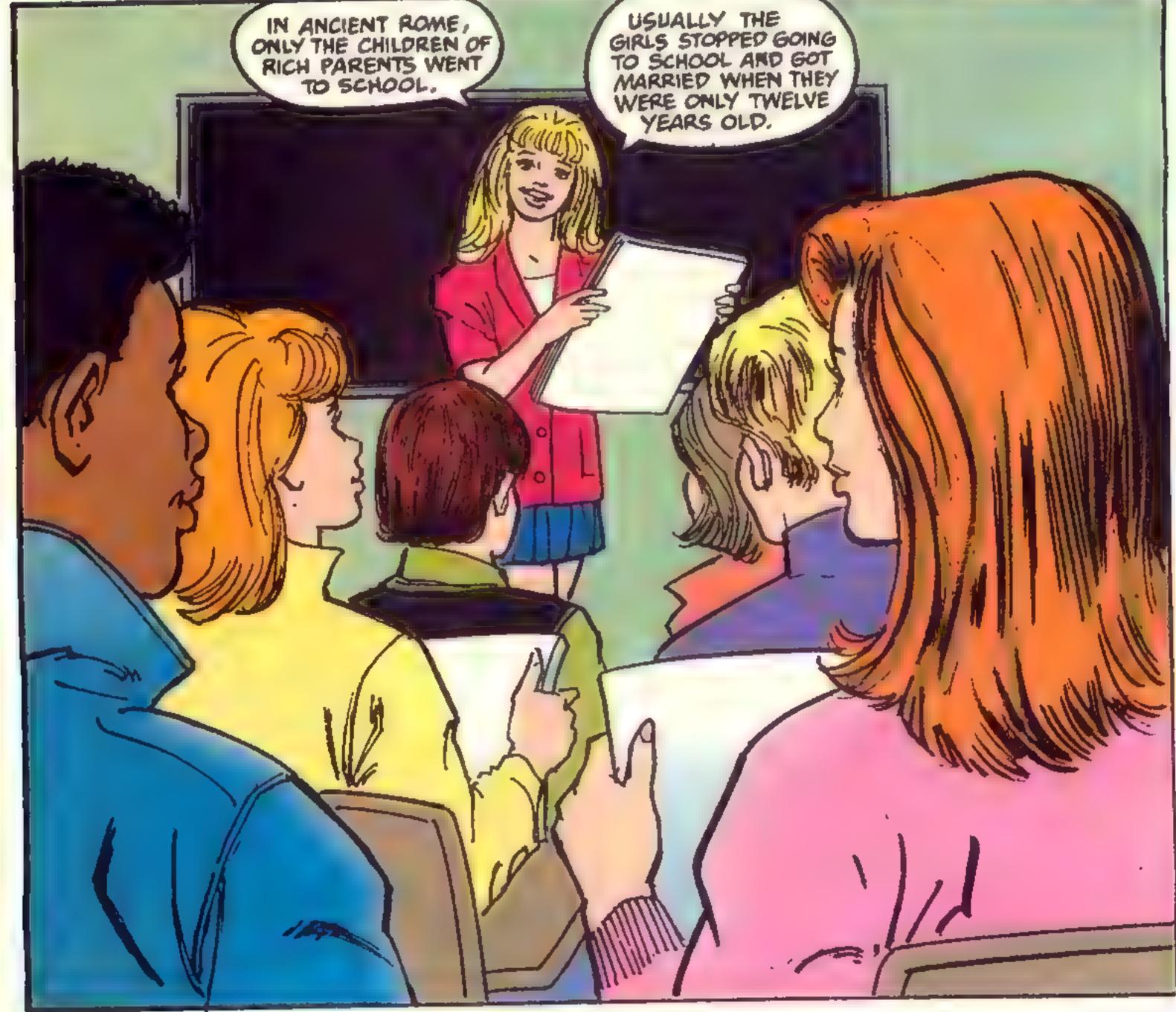
















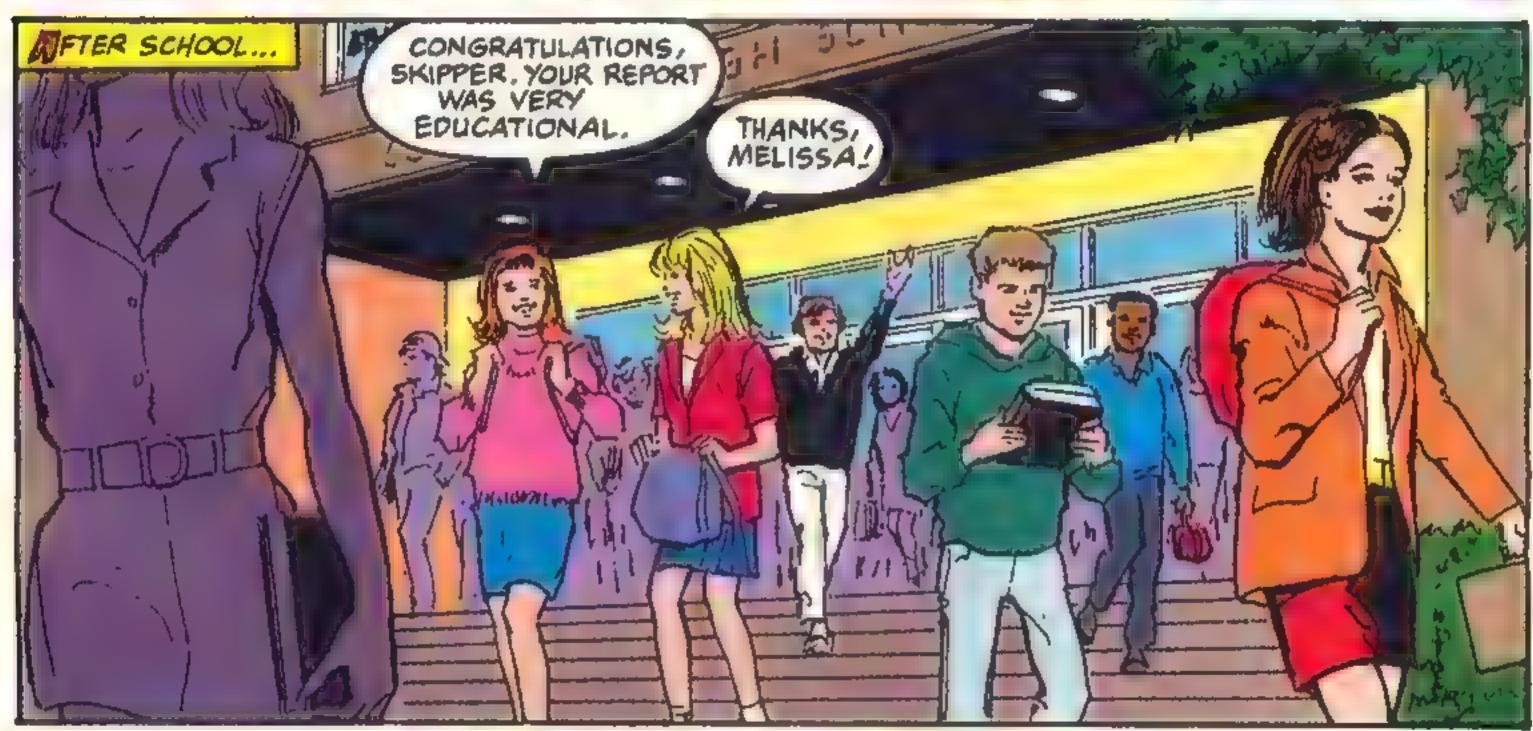


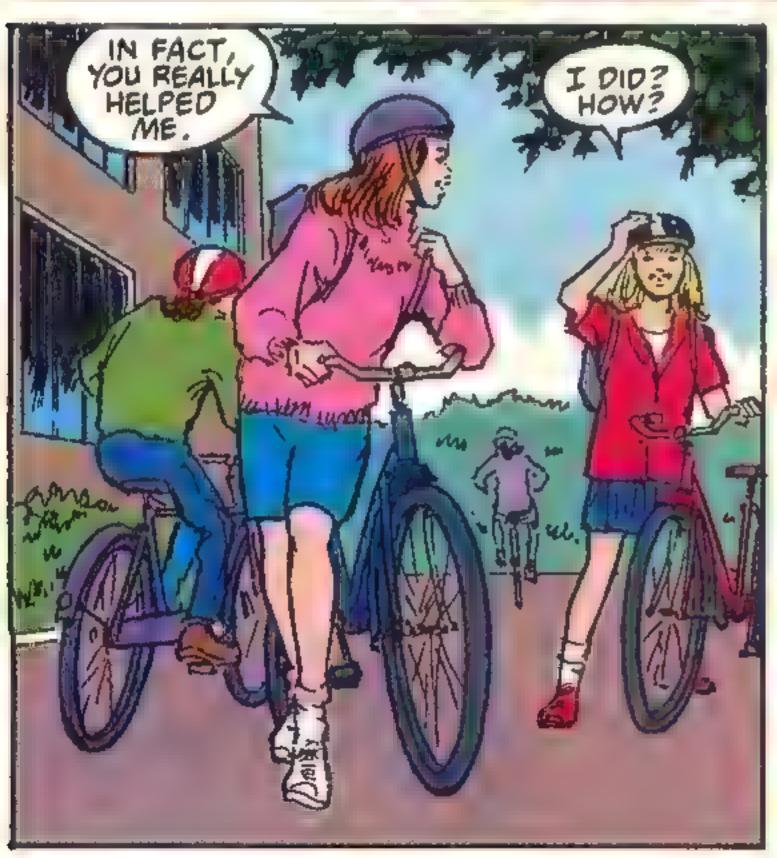




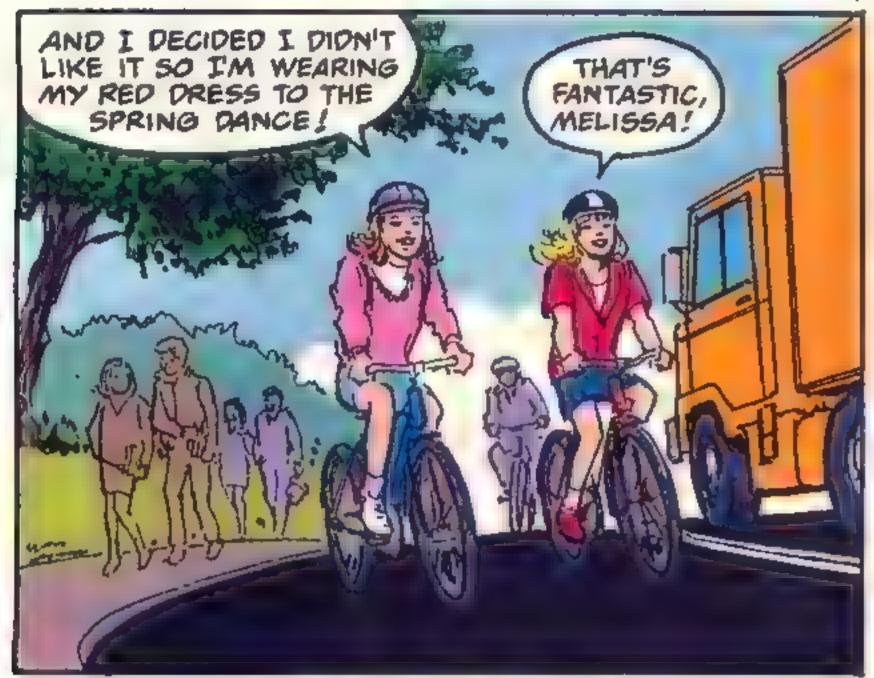




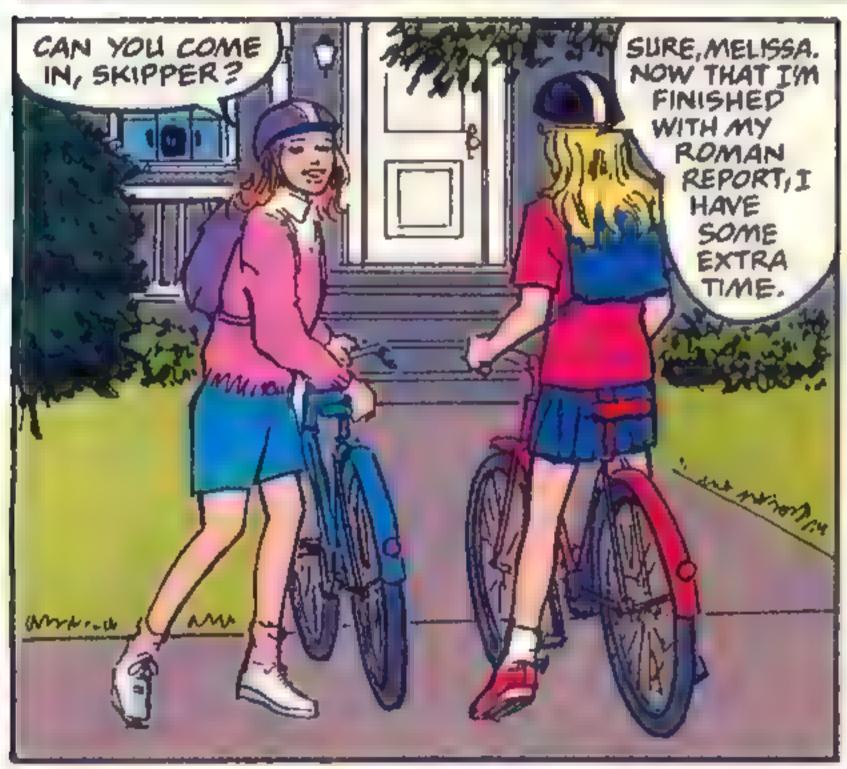


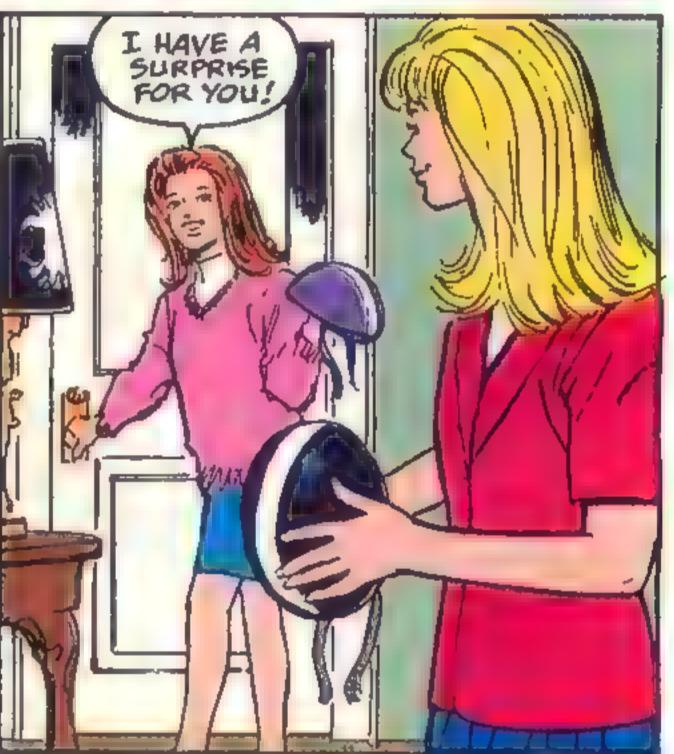








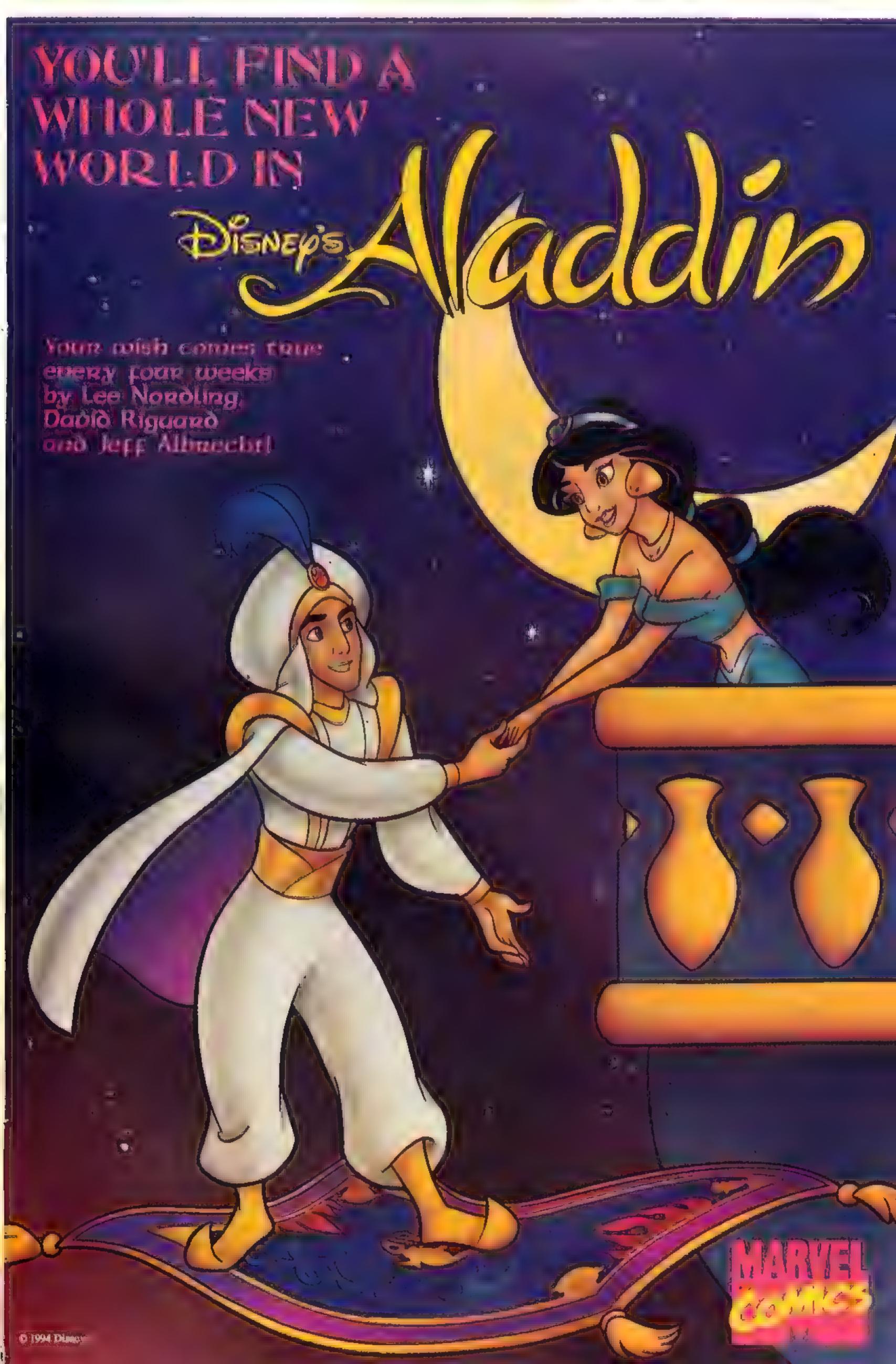










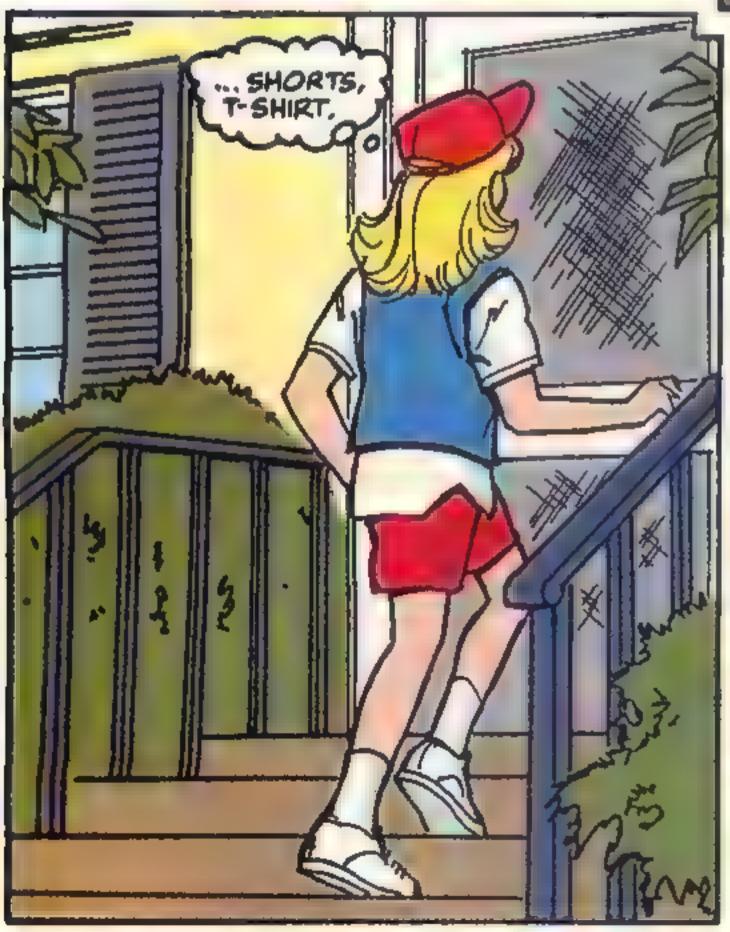






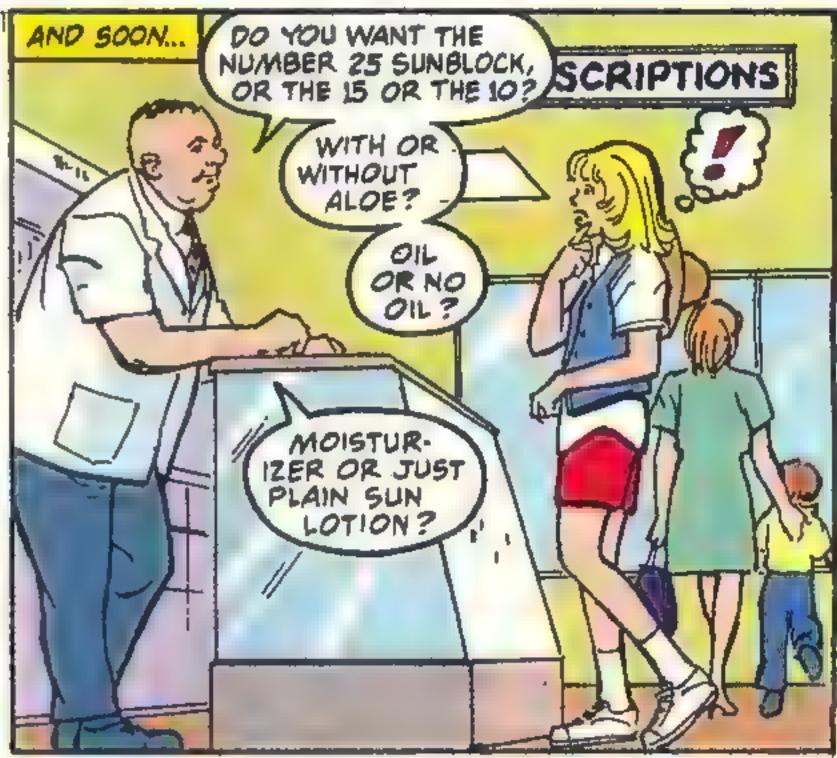


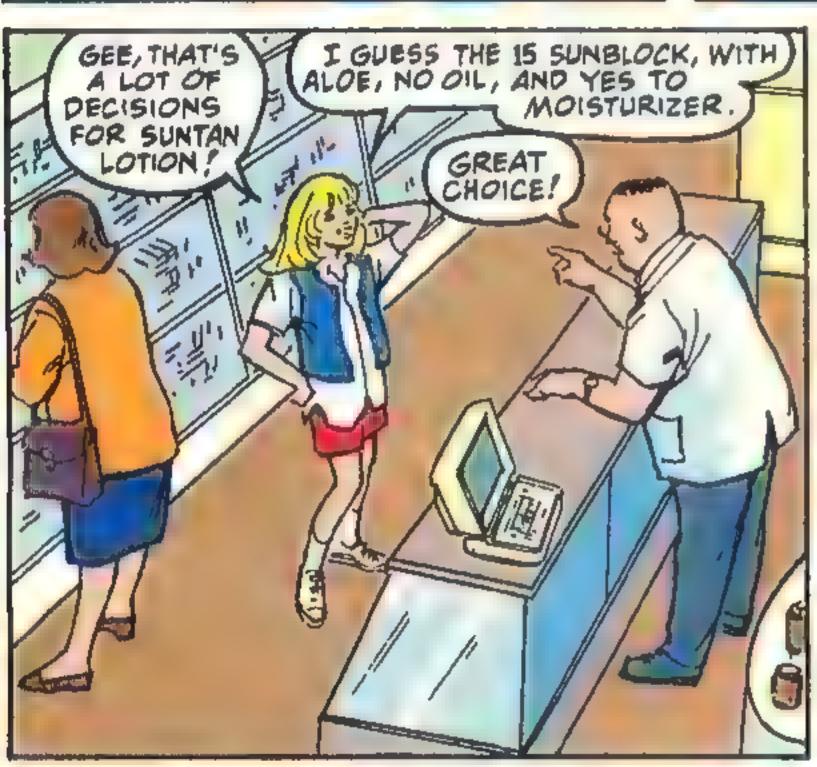




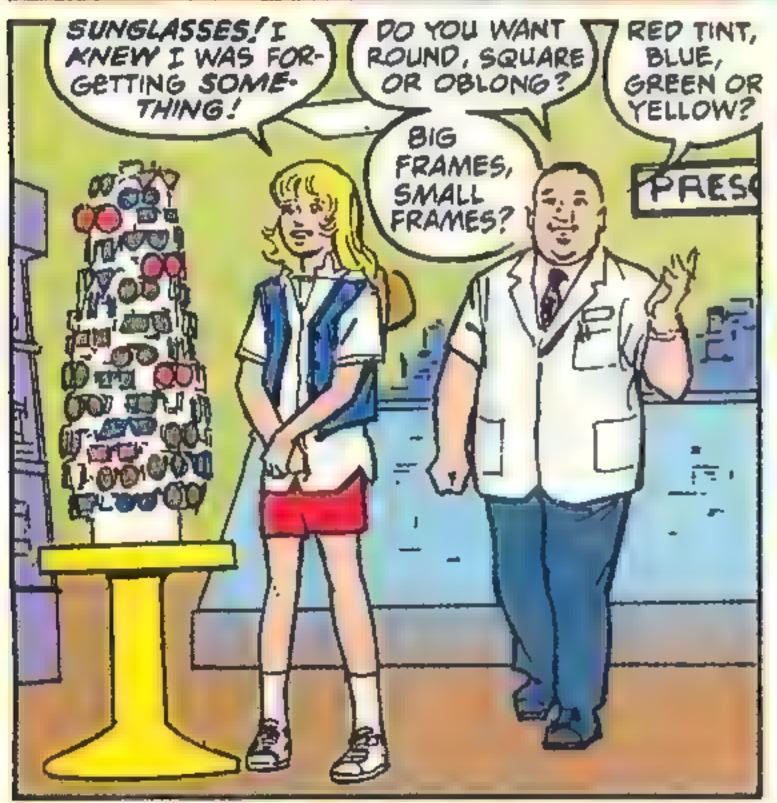




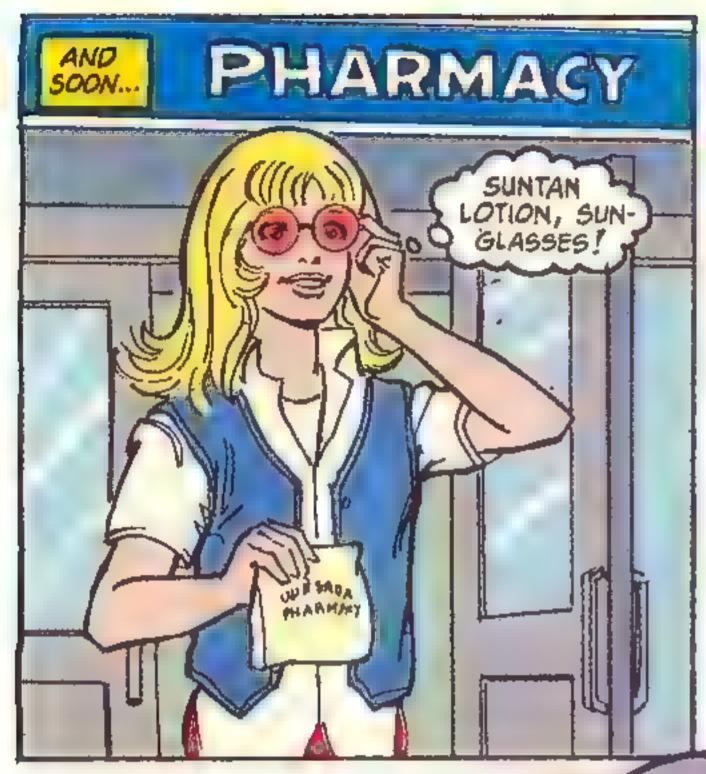


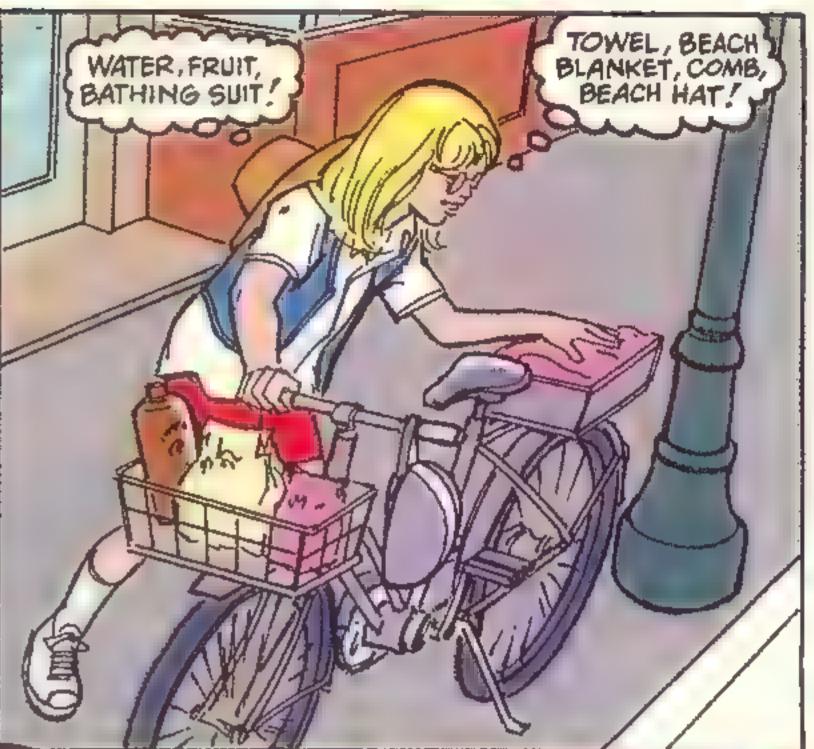




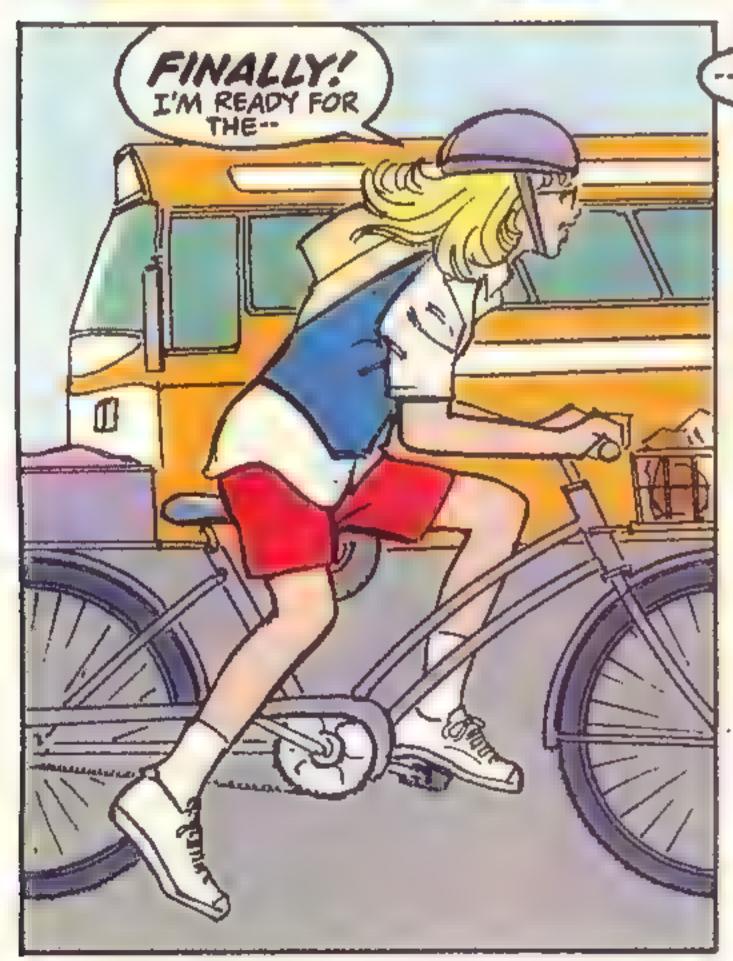






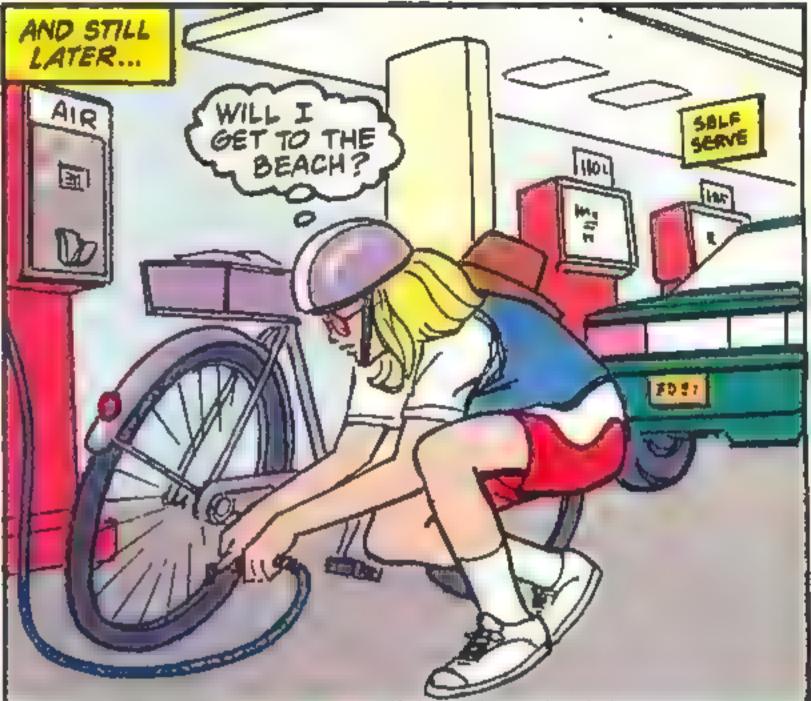






















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Write to: BARBIE FASHION, 387 Park Avenue South, New York, NY 10016
Hey, kids—since we print your name, age, city and state, please include them on your letters.

Dear BARBIE.

Hit My name is Jaciyn and I am 8 years old. I am in the third grade and my brother is 2 years old. When I read BARBIE to him, he claps his hands and says, "Read more!"

I like your comics very much. My brother and I say thanks. My brother's nickname is Ricky.

Jaciyn & Ricky Schuster San Diego, CA

We think Ricky's very lucky to have a sister like you, Jaciyni it's very nice of you to read to him, and thank you for letting us know how much you both enjoy it!

Dear BARBIE,

I just love reading your comics. It makes my mind happy and it helps me by showing me how to solve problems. I go to the library often, and I only look at BARBIE, and some other comics.

My name is Jiune Luis and I am 14 years old. I will always read your comics, even when I am 20 years old.

Jiune Luis, age 14 Hillside, IL

The library is a very special place, as you've discovered, Jiunel At the library, you'll find more than just comics—you'll find new worlds, exciting people, strange and fantastic adventures, all in the pages of books!

Dear BARBIE,

I have never been to New York. I was wondering what it is like? My name is Kimberly Read. My favorite animal is a cat or kittens. I have a morn named Debbie and I have a dad named Glen and a sister named Laura. She is a pain. I am 9 years old. Me and Allison Stover wrote this letter together. We love Barble and BARBIE comics.

Kimberly Read, age 9 Seattle, WA

New York is a very big city, Kimberlyl it is so big that you can find all the best things right along with all the worst things that a city has to offer.

New York has the same problems any big city does, including homelessness, crime, poliution, and over-crowding.

But New York has many different kinds of people living together, wonderful art and science museums, first-rate theaters, excellent public transportation, many famous historical sites to visit, an almost unlimited number of places to shop and eat, and a unique energy that makes the city humi We love it!

Dear BARBIE.

I love each and every issue of your comics! I read them to my brother, Bryan.

I thought that since Barbie Is so good at solving problems, I might ask her to help me with my problem. See, my friend's mom does not like me, and my friend thinks that whatever her mom says is right. We used to be best friends, but now she says "Let's not be with each other," or "Would you mind if I didn't invite you to my birthday party?"

Just this weekend she invited me to come to a small birthday party alone before the real one. I was excited and bought her a special gift. But at the last minute, she called me and said her dad called it off because he was going hunting. Then I called her back, and found out she was at her dad's house with another girl having the party.

It really hurts. Please give me your advice. Should I call her? And if I do, what should I say?

Susan Horvat, age 9 1/2 Red Wing, MN

We know how much it hurts, Susan, and we wish there was an easy solution to your problem. To start with, you may want to talk to an adult you feel you can trust and whose opinion you respect (your mom, a teacher, etc.). Someone who knows you and knows your friend may have better advice than we will. But we'll try!

Kids can be very mean to each other. We're sure you've seen other kids get teased. So understand that you're not alone in this, Susan. There's not a lot you can do about your friend's actions. You cannot control her or her family's thoughts, feelings, and actions. All you can control is what you do.

We suggest that you let your friend know that you like her and want to be friends, and that you'll be available—all she has to do is call! But don't just sit around and wait for her. She has already shown you that she doesn't value the friendship as much as you do, so it's time for you to go out and meet other people. Offer a smile to someone, and they are bound to return it! How about other girls your age who share your interests and hobbles? Or girls who also love Barble and BARBIE comics? We suspect there are lots of people you would enjoy spending time with.

Although you can never replace a best friend, you can make new ones, and have some great fun! We wish you the best of juck!

Dear BARBIE,

I love your BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION comics. My name is Emily. I live with my

parents and my two dogs (Bo and Holly) and my goldfish (Whitey).

I don't think it's fair when I go to look for BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION at a comic shop, where a lot of comic books are sold, there are only comics with super heroes, no BARBIE or BARBIE FASHION.

> Emily Wallace, age 8 Lebanon, TN

What a bummer, Emilyl We suggest you tell the salesperson at the comic shop that you (and your friends) love to read BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION, and would buy it if you could find it. Perhaps the store will order the BARBIE comics if they know there are people who are interested!

The other thing you may want to consider is subscribing to BARBIE and BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION! Then you'll get every issue, every month, sent right to you at home through the mail! You'll find a subscription form in this very issue! Be sure to check with a parent or adult first!



BARBIE'S BIRTHDAY CORNER



The warm days of summer are here, and so are the July birthdays of many of our BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION readers! More July birthdays will be found in BARBIE #45, so if you don't see your special day listed here, be sure to check that issue!

Now, on to the birthdays!
July 1st, Rebecca Noe, 13, Japan
July 6th, Cammy Gray, 8, Chestertown, MD
July 11th, Leslie Blas, 11, Guam
July 11th, Morgan Adkins, 8, Cape Coral,
FL

July 15th, Jack Abel, New York City July 18th, Jessica A. Joseph, 10, Salyersville, KY July 19th, Madonna Fenton, 40, Kingman, AZ July 30th, Julie Johnston, 9, Cottondale, AL

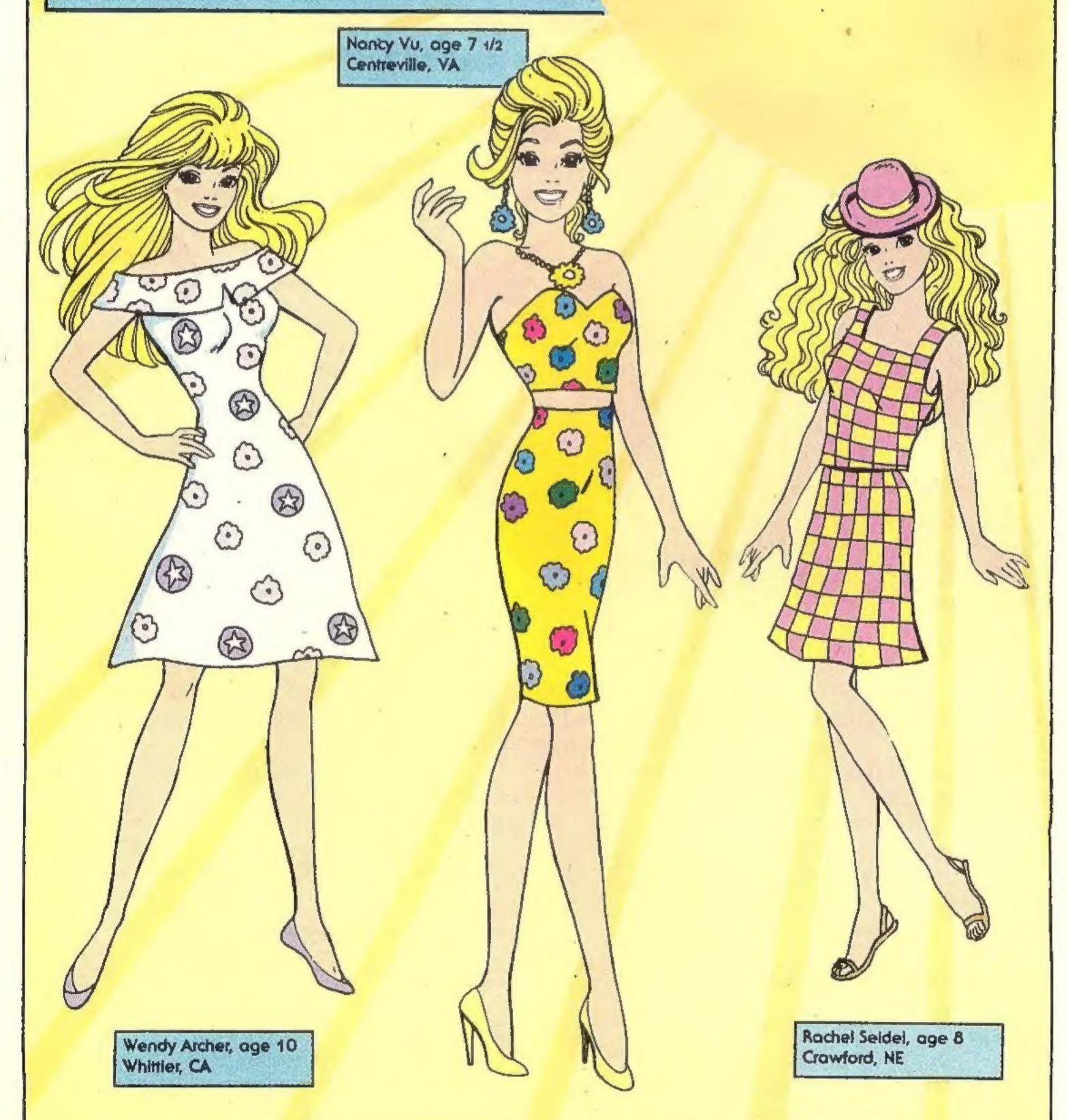
A very happy birthday to these and all the BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION readers celebrating their birthdays in Julyi If you'd like to have your special day listed here, send your name, age, full address and birthday to the address above. Be sure to send it in six months ahead of time!



Barlone Sun dresses:

As the sun sets on the sands, and the summer heats up, Barble will be in cool comfort while sporting these dazzling dresses, designed by you, the BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION readers! We only have room here for a few of the many hundreds of fabulous fashions we've received. Hope you enjoy them as much as we do!





If you have a fashion for Barble or any of her friends, be sure to send it to us here at BARBLE, c/o Marvel Comics, 387 Park Avenue South, New York, NY 10016, Please be sure to include your name, age and full address!





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Are you ready for the Power of Sour? Go on. Sink your jaws into that innocent looking candy shell and tell your taste buds to hang on. Come on. You won't be happy 'till you find out for yourself...Can you handle the high-intensity flavor of Shock Tarts? Will you make it to the chewy center packed with sweet fruity flavor? Go ahead. Take it on. Dare ya'.

SHOCKTARTS